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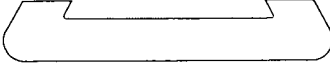
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NEW PROBABLE CSS-3 ICBM DEPLOYMENT AREA
LUSHI, CHINA

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1. (SWN) SIGNIFICANCE: A NEW PROBABLE CSS-3 ICBM DEPLOYMENT AREA HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED NEAR LUSHI IN EAST CENTRAL CHINA.
2. (SWN) REMARKS: FOUR AREAS OF SSM-RELATED CAVE CONSTRUCTION HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED NEAR LUSHI. THESE AREAS ARE APPROXIMATELY 45 KM WEST OF LUANCHUAN SSM HEADQUARTERS GENERAL [REDACTED] AND 75 KM WEST OF THE SUNDIAN MISSILE LAUNCH COMPLEX SSM [REDACTED] THE FOUR AREAS OF CONSTRUCTION ARE: A PROBABLE CSS-3 ICBM ROLLOUT, ERECT-TO-LAUNCH SITE; A POSSIBLE ROLLOUT, ERECT-TO-LAUNCH SITE; AN AREA OF NEW CONSTRUCTION TOO EARLY TO TYPE; AND A PROBABLE NEW UNDERGROUND COMMAND POST AND HARDENED COMMUNICATIONS FACILITY. CONSTRUCTION OF THE PROBABLE COMMAND POST BEGAN IN 1979 WHILE CONSTRUCTION OF THE PROBABLE AND POSSIBLE LAUNCH SITES BEGAN AFTER JULY 1980. IDENTIFICATION OF THESE AREAS AS SSM-RELATED IS BASED ON THE USE OF CAMOUFLAGE NETS TO COVER CAVE EXCAVATIONS, THE GEOGRAPHIC SEPARATION OF THE FOUR AREAS, AND A BURIED COMMUNICATIONS CABLE WHICH CONNECTS KNOWN SSM LAUNCH SITES AND HEADQUARTERS AREAS TO THE NEW PROBABLE COMMAND POST AND COMMUNICATIONS FACILITY AT LUSHI. THE FOUR NEW SSM-RELATED AREAS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

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(SWN) LUSHI PROBABLE SSM LAUNCH SITE 1, [REDACTED] IS 35 KM SOUTHEAST OF LUSHI. IT CONTAINED TWO CAVES AND ONE POSSIBLE CAVE WHICH WERE STILL BEING EXCAVATED. A CAMOUFLAGE NET COVERED THE ENTRANCE TO THE LARGEST CAVE AND THE ENTRANCE AREA OF THE POSSIBLE CAVE. A LARGE SUPPORT BUILDING COVERED WITH CAMOUFLAGE MATERIALS WAS ALSO IN THE SAME VALLEY. A CONSTRUCTION WORKERS HOUSING AND SUPPORT AREA IS APPROXIMATELY 800 METERS TO THE SOUTH.

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(SWN) LUSHI POSSIBLE SSM LAUNCH SITE 2, [REDACTED] IS 15.3 KM EAST-SOUTHEAST OF LUSHI. IT CONTAINED CAVE EXCAVATIONS IN TWO VALLEYS ON OPPOSITE SIDES OF A MOUNTAIN. THE CAVE EXCAVATIONS ARE APPROXIMATELY 340 METERS APART AND WERE COVERED WITH CAMOUFLAGE NETS. A CONSTRUCTION WORKERS HOUSING AND SUPPORT AREA, INCLUDING TWO NET-COVERED BUILDINGS, EXTENDS ALONG THE SERVICE ROAD BETWEEN THE CAVE EXCAVATIONS.

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(SWN) LUSHI SSM-RELATED CONSTRUCTION 1, [REDACTED] IS 14.5 KM SOUTH OF LUSHI. IT CONTAINED AT LEAST TWO CAVES IN THE EARLY STAGE OF CONSTRUCTION IN A STREAM VALLEY. A LARGE CONSTRUCTION WORKERS HOUSING AND SUPPORT CAMP WAS IN THE SAME VALLEY 700 METERS TO THE NORTHWEST. IN VIEW OF THE IDENTIFICATION OF NEW PROBABLE AND POSSIBLE SSM LAUNCH SITES UNDER CONSTRUCTION IN THE SURROUNDING AREA, IT IS LIKELY THAT THIS CONSTRUCTION SITE IS RELATED TO THE SSM ACTIVITY. HOWEVER, THE EARLY STAGE OF CONSTRUCTION PRECLUDES IDENTIFICATION OF THE FUNCTION OF THE FACILITY.

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(SWN) LUSHI PROBABLE SSM COMMAND POST/COMMUNICATIONS FACILITY/BUNKERED/HARDENED, [REDACTED] IS 9.2 KM SOUTH-SOUTHEAST OF LUSHI. A BURIED COMMUNICATIONS CABLE, CONNECTED TO KNOWN SSM LAUNCH SITES AND HEADQUARTERS, WAS COMPLETED TO THIS FACILITY IN LATE 1980. THE PROBABLE COMMAND POST/COMMUNICATIONS FACILITY CONTAINED THREE LARGE CAVES AND ONE SMALL CAVE UNDER CONSTRUCTION IN A MOUNTAIN SIDE. A SECURITY FENCE ENCLOSED THE ENTRANCE AREA IN FRONT OF THE CAVES. CONSTRUCTION WORKERS HOUSING BUILDINGS WERE LOCATED NEXT TO THE SECURITY FENCE. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] COORDINATES 33-51-25N 111-18-20E
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COORDINATES 33-55-15N 111-03-00E
COORDINATES 33-58-25N 110-59-30E

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